



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5387

February Session, 2010

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**AN ACT CONCERNING THE REMOVAL OF SNOW AND ICE FROM
MOTOR VEHICLES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2010*) (a) The operator of any
2 motor vehicle, as defined in section 14-1 of the general statutes, shall
3 remove any accumulated ice or snow from such motor vehicle,
4 including the hood, trunk and roof of such motor vehicle, so that any
5 ice or snow accumulated on such vehicle does not pose a threat to
6 persons or property while the vehicle is being operated on any street
7 or highway of this state. Any operator who fails to remove
8 accumulated ice or snow that poses such a threat shall be fined
9 seventy-five dollars.

10 (b) If the operator of a noncommercial motor vehicle violates the
11 provisions of this section and snow or ice is dislodged from such
12 vehicle and causes personal injury or property damage, the operator
13 shall be fined not less than two hundred dollars but not more than one
14 thousand dollars for each offense. If the operator of a commercial
15 motor vehicle violates the provisions of this section and snow or ice is
16 dislodged from such vehicle and causes personal injury or property
17 damage, the operator shall be fined not less than five hundred dollars
18 but not more than twelve hundred fifty dollars for each offense.

19 (c) This section shall not apply to (1) any operator of a motor vehicle

20 during a period of snow, sleet or freezing rain if such period began
21 and continued during the period of the motor vehicle's operation, or
22 (2) any operator of a motor vehicle during the time such vehicle is
23 parked.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
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| Section 1 | <i>October 1, 2010</i> | New section |
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